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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 21 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

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| 10.30 a.m. | 4424th meeting | Security Council Chamber |
| 1. Adoption of the agenda | | |
| 2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict | | |
| 3 p.m. | 4425th (closed) meeting | Economic and Social
Council Chamber |
| 1. Adoption of the agenda | | |
| 2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, A | | |
| 4 p.m. | 4426th (closed) meeting | Economic and Social
Council Chamber |
| 1. Adoption of the agenda | | |
| 2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, A | | |

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

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| 10 a.m. | 60th PLENARY MEETING | General Assembly Hall |
| 1. Assistance in mine action: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/448 and Add.1 and 2) [38] | | |
| 2. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/516) [16 (d)] | | |
- (continued overleaf)

3. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic [36]
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/454 and Add.1)
 - (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.12)
4. United Nations Year of Cultural Heritage, 2002: draft resolution (A/56/L.13) [177]

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects [89]

Discussions

[Background documentation: A/56/478, A/55/1024 and Corr.1, A/C.5/55/46 and Add.1]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	29th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [101] (A/56/90-E/2001/17)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.	30th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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1. Training and research [104] (A/56/615)

Introduction and general discussion

2. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.6 and L.7

3. International migration and development, including the question of convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues [100]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.28

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution contained in A/C.2/56/L.27 (item 12)

* Following the adjournment of the 30th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 1
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1. Advancement of women [112]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.24/Rev.1

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.39

3. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [115]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/56/L.28/Rev.1 and L.29

4. Right of peoples to self-determination [118]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/56/L.32 and L.33

5. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [119 (a)] (A/C.3/56/L.35)

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/56/L.34, L.36 to L.38

6. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114] (A/56/3, A/56/12 and Add.1, A/56/128, A/56/333, A/56/335)

Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.*

48th meeting

Conference
Room 1

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114] (A/56/3, A/56/12 and Add.1, A/56/128, A/56/333, A/56/335)

Conclusion of general discussion

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 48th meeting of the Third Committee, the Chairman of the Third Committee will meet informally with interested delegations on the progress made on the Chairman's text of the draft resolution on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. -
1 p.m.informal consultations
(closed)Conference
Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part IX: Internal oversight (*continued*):

Section 28: Internal oversight (A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 28), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part X: Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses:

Section 29: Jointly financed administrative activities

Section 30: Special expenses

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 29-30), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part XI: Capital expenditures:

Section 31: Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 31), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part XII: Staff assessment:

Section 32: Staff assessment

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 32), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part XIII: Development Account:

Section 33: Development Account

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 33), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Income section 1:

Income from staff assessment (A/56/6 (Income section 1))

Income section 2:

General income (A/56/6 (Income section 2))

Income section 3:

Services to the public (A/56/6 (Income section 3))

2 p.m.-

4.30 p.m.

informal consultations
(closed)Conference
Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003): all outstanding issues (A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 27 and 27A-G), A/56/7 and A/56/16 and A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-

1 p.m.

28th meeting

Conference
Room 2

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fourth session [161]

Action on draft decision A/C.6/56/L.26

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union [21 (f)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.24

Measures to eliminate International Terrorism [166] (A/56/37, A/56/160 and Corr.1, and Add.1, A/C.6/56/L.9)

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.22 and Corr.1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. -
1 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 10

Subject

Draft report

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

*Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (c)
(Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination
of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences
of the Chernobyl disaster)*

Informal consultations of co-sponsors and interested delegations on the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 20 (c) will be held *today*, 21 November 2001, at 12 noon in Room C-209B.

SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 21 November 2001, there will be meetings of interested delegations on the following draft proposals:

Conference Room C: A/C.2/56/L.3 (item 95 (c)), from 10.15 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room E: A/C.2/56/L.20 (item 98), from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room 6: A/C.2/56/L.16/Rev.1 (item 98 (e)), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Economic and Social Council Chamber: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room E: A/C.2/56/L.2 (item 95 (c)), from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.;

Conference Room C: A/C.2/56/L.11 (item 98 (a)) (programme budget implications: A/C.2/56/L.19), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room E: A/C.2/56/L.12 (item 98 (b)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and

Conference Room 6: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for these consultations.

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 21 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 21 November 2001

EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP

9.30 a.m. - Conference
10 a.m. closed meeting Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on agenda item 103 (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)))

10 a.m. - Conference
1 p.m. closed meeting Room 4

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE (at the ambassadorial level)

11.30 a.m. - Conference
1 p.m. closed meeting Room 7

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (Open-ended consultations on the right to development)

1.15 p.m. - Conference
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Room 9

GROUP OF 77 (on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance))

1.30 p.m. - Conference
3 p.m. closed meeting Room 7

WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES GROUP

4 p.m. - Conference
6 p.m. closed meeting Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (preparation for the World Summit on Sustainable Development and agenda item 98 (Environment and sustain- able development), including sub-items (a) to (g))

6 p.m. - Conference
9 p.m. closed meeting Room 7

There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ (*Second Committee*) today, 21 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a joint meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement and the Group of 77 today, 21 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal meeting

An informal meeting of Sixth Committee experts, organized by the delegation of India, will be held today, 21 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.24 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union) under agenda item 21 (f).

Informal meeting

There will be a meeting of the Core Group on Habitat on draft resolutions under agenda item 102 today, 21 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 22 November 2001

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters on Thursday,
22 November 2001, official holiday.]

Friday, 23 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6
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THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	50th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, 29 November 2001, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

All Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies and observers are invited to attend. Messages of solidarity may be sent to room S-3350 (tel.: (212) 963-5172).

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of two video-films entitled "Gaza Under Siege" and "Mahmoud Darwish: As the Land is the Language". Both films will be shown on Thursday, 29 November, at 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

In accordance with resolution 55/75, adopted by the General Assembly on 4 December 2000, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the 2002 Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene for the first time in Geneva on Friday, 3 December 2001, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII at the Palais des Nations.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Gabriela Martinic (Argentina), Chairperson of Working Group II dealing with agenda item 5 (Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms) of the Disarmament Commission, would like to remind all delegations that the Working Group requested her to gather information on documents and meetings on existing confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms, to be provided by the delegations, preferably by 1 December 2001, on the understanding that they might submit further information at a later stage (tel.: (212) 688-6300, extension 226; fax: (212) 980-8395).

A Web site of statistical indicators on implementation of the Millennium Declaration will be opened *today*, 21 November 2001 (millenniumindicators.un.org). The indicators have been compiled by the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. For further information, please write to the following e-mail address: unstats@un.org.

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Friday, 23 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee (*on agenda item 104 (Training and research)*) on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a Briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing will be held on the following dates: Monday, 26 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 27 November from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 28 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 29 November from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent missions of all States that will be members of the Security Council in 2002. The registration deadline is *today*, 21 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

Informal briefing

The Chairman of the United Nations Forum on Forests, Mr. Knut Øistad (Norway), will hold an informal briefing on preparations for the second session of the Forum, to be held in Costa Rica from 4 to 15 March 2002. The briefing will take place on Wednesday, 28 November 2001, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 9. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: <http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency>.

The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: <http://www.un.org/ga/president>. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: <http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373>; <http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373>; and <http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html>.

During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: <http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org> or <http://www.un.int/indonesia>.

During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: <http://www.un.int/belgium>.

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 20 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4422nd meeting

Children and armed conflict

Report of the Secretary General on children and armed conflict (S/2000/852)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Belgium, Canada, Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, the Republic of Korea, Slovenia, South Africa at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Olara Otunnu, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, and Ms. Carol Bellamy, Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by Secretary-General.

The Council heard statements under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict and by the Executive Director of UNICEF.

Statements were then made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States, Norway, China, Ukraine, Mali, and the Russian Federation.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Ireland, Bangladesh, Colombia, Tunisia, France, Singapore and Mauritius, as well as by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of Jamaica.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Belgium (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia - and the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, as well as the EFTA country members of the EEA, Iceland and Liechtenstein, which aligned themselves with the statement), Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Slovenia, Japan, South Africa, Canada, Iraq, Israel, Nigeria and Malaysia.

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict and the Executive Director of UNICEF responded to comments made.

4423rd meeting

Children and armed conflict

Report of the Secretary General on children and armed conflict (S/2000/852)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution (S/2001/1093), which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2001/1093) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2001/1093) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1379 (2001).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

19th meeting

Questions relating to information [90]

The Committee concluded its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of the United States, Ghana,

Myanmar, Kuwait, Mongolia, Thailand (on behalf of the Member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Belarus, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Jamaica (on behalf of the 14 Member States of the Caribbean Community), Nigeria, Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), Malaysia, Singapore, the Russian Federation, the United Republic of Tanzania, Ukraine, the Syrian Arab Republic, Nepal and Yemen.

The observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

A statement in the exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of Portugal.

A statement was made by the Interim Head for the Department of Public Information.

20th meeting

Questions relating to information [90]

Following statements by the representatives of the United States, Canada and Japan, the Committee adopted, without a vote, draft resolutions A and B and the draft decision contained in documents A/56/21 and Add.1.

The Committee concluded consideration of agenda item 90.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [89]

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Zambia, India, Belgium, Jordan and the United Republic of Tanzania.

A discussion took place with the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, in which the representatives of Jordan, the Philippines, Belgium, India, New Zealand and Rwanda took part.

The Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations, the Assistant-Secretary-General for Logistics, Management and Mine Action Service and the Military Adviser responded to questions.

The Committee began its discussions on agenda item 89 and heard statements by representatives of Norway, Chile (on behalf of the Member States of the Rio Group), Zambia, Bangladesh, Argentina, China, Japan and Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia - the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta, as well as the EFTA and EEA country member, Iceland).

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the item the same day at 6 p.m.

SECOND COMMITTEE

28th meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.27

The representative of Japan introduced the draft resolution.

Implementation of the Habitat Agenda and outcome of the special session of the General Assembly on this topic [102]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

The Assistant Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Bangladesh, China, Venezuela, Norway, Kenya, Ethiopia, South Africa, Croatia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Republic of Korea.

The representative of the International Labour Organization also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 102.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Chairman informed the Committee that the submission of draft proposals under agenda item 102 had been extended to Friday, 23 November 2001, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE

45th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.39

The representative of New Zealand, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced the draft resolution. Bangladesh joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [115]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.28/Rev.1

The representative of the Belgium, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Andorra, Australia, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, El Salvador, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Marshall Islands, Morocco, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, San Marino, Slovenia, South Africa, Suriname, Thailand and Ukraine, introduced and orally revised the draft resolution. Subsequently, Bhutan, China, Guyana, India, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Paraguay, Sierra Leone, Tunisia and Zambia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [119 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.34

The representative of Denmark, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Ecuador, Mali, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Ukraine, introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution. Benin and Burkina Faso joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.41

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.42

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.43

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.44

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Botswana, El Salvador, Iraq and Swaziland, introduced the draft resolution. Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, the Gambia, Haiti, Kenya, Madagascar and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.45

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced the draft resolution. Cameroon, Benin, Haiti, Kenya and Mozambique joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.46

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Burkina Faso and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, introduced the draft resolution. Cameroon, Kenya, Mozambique and Tunisia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.47

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Ethiopia, introduced the draft resolution. Cameroon, the Gambia, Ghana, Haiti, Mauritania and Somalia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.48

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Botswana, Iraq, Italy, Mozambique and the Philippines, introduced the draft resolution. Bhutan, Myanmar, the Niger, Sierra Leone and Somalia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.49

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Morocco, introduced the draft resolution. Cambodia, Cameroon, the Dominican Republic, Guinea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Mauritania and Somalia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Yemen, Mexico, Guinea, Thailand and Australia.

The representatives of the International Labour Organization made a statement.

A statement was also made by the representative of the United Nations Children's Fund.

46th meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions [114]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Zambia and Indonesia, as well as by the observer for the Holy See.

The observers for the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies also made statements.

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**Convention against Torture and Other Cruel,
Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment**

COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE
Twenty-seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2001

494th meeting

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Zambia (CAT/C/47/Add.2). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and introduced the report submitted by their Government.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered the item.

495th meeting

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

The Committee continued its consideration of the initial report of Indonesia (CAT/C/47/Add.3).

TUESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2001

496th meeting

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Israel (CAT/C/54/Add.1). In accordance with rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and introduced the report submitted by their Government.

497th meeting

Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention [3]

The Committee continued its consideration of the initial report of Zambia (CAT/C/47/Add.2).

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered the item.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

**International Covenant on Economic,
Social and Cultural Rights**

**COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC,
SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS**
Twenty-seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2001

71st meeting

Consideration of reports [6]

- (a) *Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant*
- (b) *Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant*

The Committee continued its consideration of the initial report of Croatia (E/1990/5/Add.4). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

72nd meeting

Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights [3]

The Committee held a meeting with UNFPA and WHO on the application of human rights on sexual and reproductive health (Glen Cove + 5) and on strengthening the cooperation between the Committee and WHO and UNFPA.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer.
Vienna, 22 March 1985

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Montreal, 16 September 1987

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. London, 29 June 1990

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Sao Tome and Principe (19 November 2001)*

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

Accession: Sweden (19 November 2001)*

International Cocoa Agreement, 2001. Geneva, 2 March 2001

Signature: Brazil (20 November 2001)

European Agreement supplementing the Convention on road signs and signals opened for signature at Vienna on 8 November 1968. Geneva, 1 May 1971

Accession: Latvia (20 November 2001)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Latvia (20 November 2001)*

Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials. Lake Success, New York, 22 November 1950

Acceptance: Latvia (20 November 2001)*

Protocol to the Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials of 22 November 1950. Nairobi, 26 November 1976

Accession: Latvia (20 November 2001)*

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: Saint Kitts and Nevis (20 November 2001)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special event

The Global Launch of the United Nations Consolidated Inter-Agency Appeals for 2002 on the theme "Reaching the Vulnerable", sponsored by the Office of the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mr. Kenzo Oshima, will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 11 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The Secretary-General will lead the launch. The President of the Security Council, H.E. Ms. Mignonette Patricia Durrant (Jamaica), the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, Ms. Thoraya Obaid, will attend the event. The Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Ms. Carolyn McAskie, will be the moderator. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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